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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A multiplece excavating tooth assembly including an adapter and an excavating tooth.

A fastener releasably interconnects and maintains the excavating tooth in operable combination with the adapter. When assembled, an elongated nose portion of the adapter extends into a blind cavity defined by and which opens to a rear end of the excavating tooth. According to one aspect of the invention, the adapter and tooth define a pair of fore-and-aft spaced stabilizing lands for advantageously transferring impact forces imparted to the tooth assembly during an excavating operation. Each stabilizing land on the tooth assembly is comprised of a pair of generally horizontal flats arranged in confronting relation relative to each other when the excavating tooth is arranged in operable combination with the adapter. Further includes a generally vertical stabilizing wall arranged in depending relation relative to the flat. According to another aspect of the present invention elastomeric material is disposed between the adapter and the excavating tooth for absorbing impact forces imparted therebetween.